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SUBJECT: REACTION TO POLITICAL DEPORTATIONS

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1. SOME OF THE POLITICAL ACTIVISTS UNDER DEPORTATION ORDER WERE DEPORTED AUGUST 9 TO MEXICO AND ARGENTINA. ACCORDING TO MINISTER OF INTERIOR GENERAL PEDRO RICHTER, COLOMBIA, VENEZUELA AND PANAMA MAY ALSO TAKE POLITICAL EXILES. TOTAL NUMBER UNDER DEPORTATION ORDER ROSE TO 29 WITH THE INCLUSION OF A COMMENTATOR FOR EVENING TV NEWS PROGRAM, WHO AT END OF NEWSCAST ANNOUNCING ARREST AND DEPORTATION OF POLITICAL DISSIDENTS PROTESTED CLOSING OF "MARKA" AND ARREST OF ITS STAFF MEMBERS. IT SEEMS THAT THE COMMENTATOR WAS DEPORTED FOR THE AUDACITY DISPLAYED IN "TAKING ADVANTAGE OF MY RIGHT AS A PERUVIAN TO PROTEST".

2. REACTION TO DEPORTATION MEASURES STILL LARGELY LIMITED TO WRITTEN COMMUNIQUE, MOST IN SUPPORT OF "MARKA" AND ITS STAFF. THE COMMUNIST PARTY, FOR EXAMPLE, CONCURRED IN DEPORTATION OF APRA AND FAR LEFT LEADERS, CLAIMING THAT COMMUNIST PARTY HAD NOTHING IN COMMON WITH FAR LEFT. THE PARTY, HOWEVER, DID CRITICIZE THE CLOSING OF "MARKA" AND DECLARED THAT "RECTIFICATION OF THIS ERROR" WOULD RESTORE FULL CONFIDENCE  
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IN GOP. THE COMMUNIST PARTY CALLED FOR UNITY OF THE MILITARY

AND PEOPLE IN ORDER TO DEFEND AGAINST "ECONOMIC AGGRESSION OF MARCONA MINING AND PRESSURE EXERTED BY NORTH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM".

3. FAR LEFT COMMITTEE FOR CLASSIST UNION COORDINATION AND UNIFICATION (CCUSC) TO WHICH TEACHERS UNION AND MILITANT MINE UNIONS AFFILIATED, HAS CALLED FOR "NATIONAL MOBILIZATION" OF LABOR ORGANIZATIONS TO PROTEST DEPORTATIONS. THE CCUSC WILL HOLD PROTEST RALLY IN LIMA AUGUST 23 JUST AS NAC FOREIGN MINISTERS ARE ARRIVING.

4. THE APRA SECRETARIAT ISSUED ANOTHER MEASURED PROTEST DENYING THAT ANY APRA LEADER HAD TRAVELLED TO PROVINCES AFTER JULY 28 AND STATING THAT TRAVEL BEFORE THAT DATE WAS ONLY TO ORGANIZE APRA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD DURING INDEPENDENCE HOLIDAYS. (GOP HAD CHARGED THAT POLITICAL ACTIVISTS WERE TRAVELING AROUND ORGANIZING STRIKES.) APRA HOPED THAT GOP WOULD RECONSIDER ITS ACTION SINCE ITS DECISION IN APRA'S CASE WAS BASED ON INACCURATE INFORMATION.

5. COMMENT: APRA PARTY SOURCES HAVE TOLD EMBASSY THAT THEY WERE SURPRISED AND SHOCKED BY DEPORTATION OF VILLANUEVA AND THE OTHERS. THEY HOPE THAT PRIME MINISTER MORALES BERMUDEZ WHO WAS IN LA PAZ, BOLIVIA, WHEN ACTION TAKEN, WILL SOMEHOW REVERSE DECISION. ALSO APRA LEADERS SURMISE THAT RADICAL GROUP WITHIN GOP IS COUNTING ON APRA REACTION IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY FULL-SCALE SUPPRESSION OF PARTY AND TO DISTRACT ATTENTION FROM COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN THE REVOLUTION. APRA HOPES TO AVOID A POLITICAL TRAP.  
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